

**Table I**  
**Immigrant and Nonimmigrant Visas Issued at Foreign Service Posts**  
**Fiscal Years 1997 – 2001**

	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>
<b>Immigrant Categories</b>					
Immediate Relatives	178,774	147,760	156,048	163,610	172,087
Special Immigrants <sup>1</sup>	853	748	830	816	856
Vietnam Amerasian Immigrants	835	399	245	1,052	426
Family-Sponsored Preference	170,785	165,986	191,393	181,127	146,204
Employment-Based Preference	20,898	15,815	15,455	22,392	43,129
Armed Forces Special Immigrants	47	21	19	11	7
DV Diversity Immigrants	44,727	44,955	49,672	44,513	43,371
<b>Total</b>	<b>416,919</b>	<b>375,684</b>	<b>413,662</b>	<b>413,521</b>	<b>406,080</b>
<b>Nonimmigrant Categories</b>					
Visas Issued	5,904,055	5,805,795	6,192,478	7,141,636	7,588,778
Border Crossing Cards <sup>2</sup> (B1/B2/BCCs) <sup>3</sup>	38,006 (387,845)	8,358 (289,883)			
		(676,386)	(1,510,133)	(1,990,402)	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,942,061</b>	<b>5,814,153</b>	<b>6,192,478</b>	<b>7,141,636</b>	<b>7,588,778</b>

**Note:** The totals on this table do not include replaced immigrant visas.

<sup>1</sup> Special Immigrant totals include returning residents only.

<sup>2</sup> Border Crossing Cards were issued at posts in Canada and Mexico; issuance ceased in FY-98.

<sup>3</sup> Combination B-1/B-2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Card (B1/B2/BCC) issuance began in FY-84 at posts in Mexico and in FY-92 at posts in Canada; issuance ceased in FY-98 at posts in Canada. Combination B-1/B-2 visitor visa/Border Crossing Cards (B1/B2/BCCs) are included in the "Visas Issued" line.